

## Message Text

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SUBJ: FOREIGN MINISTER DONALDSON'S RESPONSE TO SECRETARY  
KISSINGER'S CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE

REF: STATE 242123

1. I PAID A BRIEF CALL ON TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO'S NEW FOREIGN  
MINISTER, JOHN S DONALDSON, ON OCTOBER 1, DURING WHICH  
I PRESENTED SECRETARY KISSINGER'S LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS  
(REFTEL). I AM REPORTING THE SUBSTANCE OF OUR CONVERSATION  
SEPARATELY.

2. ON OCTOBER 4 I RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM MINISTER  
DONALDSON, DATED OCTOBER 1, IN REPLY TO THE SECRETARY'S  
MESSAGE:

"DEAR AMBASSADOR:

I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THE MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY  
OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER.

PLEASE BE KIND ENOUGH TO INFORM THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
ON MY BEHALF THAT I DEEPLY APPRECIATE HIS CONGRATULATIONS  
AND GOOD WISHES.

ON MY PART, I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING A CLOSE RE-  
LATIONSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND  
OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I SINCERELY HOPE THAT WE SHALL BE

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ABLE TO WORK FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF OUR PEOPLES.

SINCERELY,  
JOHN S DONALDSON"  
FAY

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